

Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in Arlington County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

December 10, 2010 to January 7, 2011

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Certification

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal licensing activity to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

DOT/Federal Aviation Administration

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA) proposes to make runway safety area enhancements to Runways 4-22 and 15-23 at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport in Arlington County. The preferred alternative includes the following enhancements for Runway 4-22: extend the Runway 4 end 460 feet to the southwest; relocate the Runway 4 landing threshold 260 feet to the southwest; designate declared distances of 4,400 feet for takeoffs from and landings on Runway 22; extend Taxiway B to the relocated Runway 4 end; install EMAS (170 feet wide by 336 feet long) at the existing Runway 22 end; relocate the Runway 22 end 371 feet to the southwest; and construct a new taxiway connector to the relocated Runway 22 end. Enhancements to Runway 15-33 include: shift Runway 15-33 270 feet to the southeast; install EMAS (170 feet wide by 353 feet long) at the relocated Runway 15 end; install EMAS (170 feet wide by 140 feet long) at the relocated Runway 33 end; construct new taxiway connectors to the relocated runway ends; and place fill in the Potomac River to support the Runway 33 EMAS. The visual glide slope indicators for Runways 22, 15, and 33 would be relocated as a result of the new locations of the Runway 22 threshold and the Runway 15 and 33 ends. The proposed action also includes: rerouting existing service roads and grading and stabilizing soil in the RSA.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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